

AMENDMENT TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract section as follows:

Summary**ABSTRACT**

The invention disclosure pertains to a process for switching telephone conversations that are to be paid for by the recipient. In order to provide a process that is less cost intensive and thus economical while simultaneously largely avoiding errors at the time of switching the conversation, the invention proposes a process in which the telephone number of the call recipient is transmitted to a switching system by the caller, and the telephone number is checked in terms of its validity in a databank adjustment unit, and then, following prior authorization by the call recipient, a telecommunications connection is automatically established between the caller and the call recipient.

(Fig. 1)

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